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TOPIC Jueterbog-Altes Lager Airfield

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EVALUATION [] PLACE OBTAINED [] 25X1

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. The following observations were made at Jueterbog-Altes Lager airfield between 12 and 23 January 1953:

12 January. At about 10 a.m., the engines of four ground attack aircraft with blue propeller hubs [] were run up for about 10 minutes in front of the northern most hangar of the group of hangars located in north-south direction. Between 10:30 a.m. and noon, three men each worked on the engines of the planes []. An Uil-28 plane [] and without auxiliary fuel tanks took off at 12:30 p.m. and landed after about 20 minutes.

19 January. There was no air activity. Instruction was given in the class rooms, while drilling and firing with rifles was simultaneously practiced at the field.

20 January. Between 10 and 11 a.m., individual flights of about 40 minutes were made by two Uil-28 planes []

21 January. The two engines of the Uil-28 plane [] ran for about 10 minutes. Two men each worked on the engines of the ground attack planes [] which were parked in front of the northern hangar of the above mentioned group of hangars. The same type of work was being done on the ground attack planes [] parked in front of the medium hangar of the north-south hangars. Between 3 and 4 p.m., the engines of 36 ground attack planes were started and, subsequently, the planes took off individually. The pilots wore flying suits and helmets and on their back, small parcels which were no parachutes. Jet bombers observed included 12 in front of the northern hangars, 7 along the railroad line and 3 in a hangar.

22 January. After 11 a.m., there was flying by four Il-28s [] and two Uil-28s including one []. The planes remained aloft for about 40 minutes. They had five-man crews except plane [] which had a four-man crew. Ground attack aircraft parked at the field included three planes [] in front of the repair hangar, two planes [] with dark green engine cowlings and a lateral strip around the fuselage, and a plane [] painted like a tiger's skin.

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25X1 23 January. After 8 a.m., there was air activity by ground attack planes which circled closely over the field. Between 11 a.m. and about 2:30 p.m., two UIL-28s [redacted] were aloft. When air activity was discontinued, 12 jet bombers were parked in front of the northern hangers and 8 jet bombers along the railroad line. ¹

2. At 11 a.m. on 24 January, a commission from Wittenberg arrived at the field for stock-taking. The team first went into the headquarters building.

3. In January, officer Garashuk (fnu) (phonetic spelling) at the field was promoted to captain. ²

25X1 4. On 24 January, searchlight truck [redacted] was parked near the radio installation in the eastern extension of the runway. The searchlight, about 1.5 meters in diameter, stood on the ground at the side of the truck.

25X1A₁ [redacted] Comment. Jueterbog-Altes Lager airfield is still occupied by an air reconnaissance regiment and a ground attack regiment. It is believed that the reconnaissance regiment is equipped with about 22 IL-28s including some UIL-28s and the ground attack regiment with 55 to 60 IL-10s. The reconnaissance regiment conducted a few training flights. It was repeatedly observed that the planes had five-man crews; the fifth man was probably given instructions. During the reported period, the most flights were made on 21 January 1953, when 36 IL-10s made individual flights. The aircraft numbers reported were previously observed.

25X1A₂ [redacted] Comment. Captain Garashuk (phonetic spelling) belongs to the OATB or the reconnaissance regiment [redacted]

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